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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the June 1, 2006, outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until November 1, 2006, to respond.

The extension fee is being paid via the USPTO-EFS. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

ELECTRONICALLY FILED November 1, 2006 Respectfully submitted,

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